

Remarks/Arguments

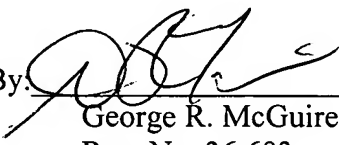
This preliminary amendment is submitted in conjunction with the reissue application of U.S. Patent No. 6,588,302 to David J. Palmowski, issued on July 8, 2003. Claims 1-33 are pending.

Included herewith are a Reissue Patent Application Transmittal, a Reissue Application Fee Transmittal Form, a Reissue Application Declaration signed by the inventor including a explanation of the nature of the broadening reissue, a Consent of Assignee, and Statement of Assignment under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) including reference to the Reel and Frame numbers for the applicable assignment documents.

In view of the foregoing, the application is believed to be in condition for the Examiner's consideration. If the Examiner believes a phone conference with Applicant's attorney would expedite prosecution of this application, please contact the undersigned at (315) 218-8515.

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